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wherein expression of the chimeric genes results in an altered corn oil

phenotype.

Remarks

Claims 151-168 and 171 as originally filed depended from claims that have not been elected for further prosecution in the subject case. Thus, they have been cancelled rewritten and consolidated (now, claims 172-176) to be in an independent form in order to advance prosecution.

Support for the rewritten claims can be found in the specification on page 14 at lines 13 – 36 and in the claims as originally filed. Accordingly, no new matter has been added.

Please charge any fees which are required in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment to Deposit Account No. 04-1928 (E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Company)

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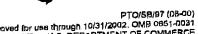
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